

Notice of Intention to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration / Notice of Availability

Notice is Hereby Given: The Allensworth Community Services District (CSD) is the Lead Agency on the below-described Project and has prepared an Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) on the proposed Allensworth CSD – Septic to Sewer Project (Project) which consists replacing existing septic systems within the CSD with a new community sewer system to convey wastewater to a centralized location. The improvements are needed due to significant deterioration and failure of many of the existing septic systems. The complete Project description, location and the potential environmental effects are contained in the MND. The MND has concluded that no significant environmental impacts will occur as a result of the Project.

Project Title: Allensworth Community Services District – Septic to Sewer Project

Project Location: Allensworth is a census designated place (CDP) encompassing 3.1 square miles of land approximately three miles north of the Tulare-Kern County line, west of State Route 43. The proposed Project will consist of work at various locations, which is generally bounded by Avenue 24 to the south, State Route 43 to the east, Colonel Allensworth State Historical Park to the north, and Road 72 to the west. The proposed new WWTP will be located on approximately 20 acres along Avenue 36, just west of the Community. The sewer pipelines will be installed along Avenue 36, Young Road, Road 84, Avenue 24, Avenue 28 and Avenue 32.

Project Description: The CSD proposes to replace existing septic systems within the CSD with a new community sewer system to convey wastewater to a centralized location. This Project will involve construction and operation of the following components:

- Installation of a packaged WWTP on approximately 20 acres with capacity to treat up to 65,000 gallons of wastewater per day. The WWTP would include a Septic Tank Effluent Pumping (STEP) sewer system which pumps wastewater from individual septic tanks to the centralized WWTP.
- Installation of approximately 29,360 feet (5.5 miles) of 6-inch pipelines within the CSD.
- Installation of four pump stations.

Document Availability and Public Review Timeline: Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response to the MND must be sent at the earliest possible date *but not later than 30 days* after receipt of this notice. The review period for the Mitigated Negative Declaration will be from February 10, 2023 to March 13, 2023. Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration can be reviewed at the Allensworth CSD Office, 3336 Road 84, Earlimart, CA 93219.

Please send your comments to Nathalia Guerro at the address shown above or by email: allensworthcsd@gmail.com

Board Consideration: The Allensworth CSD Board intends to consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration on:

Date: Tuesday, March 14, 2023
Time: On or after 5:00 p.m.
Location: Allensworth CSD
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